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ALMA

Mission Celebration. To honor the 400th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's death, Messrs. Neill Meany (Ore.), John Slater (Ore.), Thomas Zeyen (Ore.), Timothy Fallon, Donald Duggan, Paul Hilsdale, and George Minamiki, built a beautiful, ceiling-high mission exhibit, in the Scholastics' Recreation Room. They used a globe-map theme for the display. On the Saint's feast there was solemn Mass, and a lunch a paper was read by Mr. Minamiki on the Japanese Mission.

Lecturers. Dr. John Nagle of San Francisco, gave a talk on psycho-somatic medicine, Nov. 29. The next day, Fr. Wm. Rice spoke to the Californians on the importance of the JSA holiday cards. On Dec. 2, Fr. Wm. Ryan related his experiences in Red China.

Visitors. Fr. John Ryder of the Russian Mission, here for his retreat Dec. 1, was assisted each morning at the Liturgy by a small but creditable choir composed of Messrs. Rene Astruc (France), Leonard Kaufer (Ore.), Theodore Mackin, Francis Gallagher, and George Twigg-Porter. Messrs. Francis Fox, Robert Stowe (Mo.), and Arthur Swain were servers.

Also at Alma for retreat during the month: Frs. Hugh Duce, Patrick Carroll, Wm. Dunne, and Wm. Maring.

Varia. Members of the Christmas committee this year are Messrs. Joseph Costa, John Thibault (Chi.), and Phillip Lucid (Ore.).

AZUSA

Activities. During Nov. and the first two weeks of Dec., six retreats were given by Frs. John Odou, Joseph Vaughan, Joseph Clark, and Gerald Nagle. The

number of retreatants had grown, averaging 30 a week. One retreat in Nov. marked an all time high for Manresa; 38 men. The credit of these advances is due to the industry of Fr. Thos. Sullivan.

The chapel fund is growing, helped by the dollar-a-month club, and several large donations by retreatants. The letter sent by Fr. Sullivan with an appeal for chapel funds is producing results.

Novices. Bros. Bernard Bush and Wm. Rewak arrived, Nov. 17, from Los Gatos to replace Bros. Carroll Kearly and Joseph Campana. The help of the novices is invaluable, and their presence is an inspiration to the retreatants.

Visitors. Early in Dec., Frs. Dale Maginnis, Jos. Carroll, and Carl Beneke made their annual retreat at Manresa.

EL RETIRO

Activities at home. The first retreat for men in December had 9 in attendance. Dec. 11 began the last retreat before Christmas. Close to 100 were expected, but only about seventy made the retreat. Bishop Guilfoyle arrived on the first Monday of Dec. for the Day of Recollection given monthly to the Chaplains of the area.

The Provincial Congregation was held at El Retiro from Dec. 19 to Dec. 21.

Father John Brolan gave the missions at Yountville. He was replaced there by Fr. Cornelius O'Mara in order to attend the Congregation.

A month's mind Mass, on Dec. 11, for Frank Marini, was attended by the Misses Marini. After Mass, the guests inspected Marini Hall.

Activities away. Father Zacheus Maher preached afternoon and evening, Nov. 18, at the Sacred Heart Convent (Broadway), S.F., to honor Blessed Philippine Duch-

esne. Father Maher, in addition to the St. Francis Xavier triduum, which he preached at St. Ignatius Church, S.F., gave a talk on the Saint to the Medical Mission Sisters, according to their custom to have an eulogy on St. Francis Xavier on that date.

LOS GATOS

Celebration. The house prepared for the feast of St. Francis Xavier with a triduum of Benedictions and prayers. On the eve of the feast, Father Leo McGreal gave an exhortation to the community. Father Rector (John F. X. Connolly), celebrated a Missa Cantata, on the feast itself.

A Juniorate debate, Dec. 14, had as its proposition, "Resolved: The Congress of the US should enact a compulsory Federal Fair Employment Act." Bros. Donald DePaoli and Robert Mathewson, affirmative; Brothers George Lee and Frank King, negative. The judges from Alma were, Messers. Joseph Caldwell, Daniel O'Sullivan, and Richard Seaver (Ore.). They awarded the affirmative a two to one decision.

Fiesta. Bros. Ernest Martinez, Gerald Phelan, and Michael Buckley, with the assistance of other Juniors, on Dec. 12, prepared the annual feast for the workmen, in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in the new Saint Stanislaus Grill.

Visitors: Mr. Frank Gibbs spoke to the Juniors on the influence Cardinal Newman had towards his conversion to the Faith. Fr. Wm. Ryan, some weeks later, related to the community the condition of the Church in China. Fr. Peter Newport gave several talks during the month on the Jesuit's devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Frs. Leo Cullen and Harry Strehl made their retreats here. Fr. John McGloin stayed the night of Nov. 29; Frs. Frank Ford, David Walsh, and John Duggan, on Dec. 19.

Novices. Latin classes began for the Novices on December 10.

Varia. Work is underway to convert the Father's Library into the Father's recreation room. Bro. Wm. Sessing is in charge of the project.

Fr. Daniel Charlton gave a day of recollection for girls from non-Catholic schools of the Menlo

Park vicinity. Fr. Charlton also gave the Sisters of the Holy Names their renovation triduum, in Los Gatos. Fr. Charlton attended the annual meeting of the Philological Assn. of the Pacific Coast, held at Santa Barbara College (Univ. of Calif.).

Fr. Leo McGreal conducted the Junior's triduum, preceding the Immaculate Conception. During the month, Fr. Francis Silva spoke to the St. Joseph's Mother Club and the Catala Club of Santa Clara.

Mr. Jose Garay took up his duties as house tailor Dec. 16. Mr. Garay replaces the late Frank Pastor.

LOYOLA HIGH SCHOOL

Stage. The Henry Welsh Guild held its annual Christmas Dinner in the new gym. More than 600 attended and were entertained by screen and TV celebrities. The hit of the evening was Mr. Laubacher's glee club, which sang a medley of Christmas carols.

Many people attended and enjoyed the Junior Dramatic Society's three one-act plays given in our auditorium. The Sophomore Oratorical Contest, also held in the auditorium, was won by Richard Sampson. The subject, in keeping with the 400th anniversary of St. Francis Xavier's death, concerned the lives of six Jesuit missionaries. The Loyola debaters took part in the USC Debate Tournament and won several honors.

Sodality. Sixty sophomore and junior probationers were received into the Sodality at an impressive ceremony in the school chapel, Dec. 8. Breakfast was served afterward in the Town House. Fr. Howard gave the principal address. The Sodality has sponsored a number of field trips, the latest being to the mountain country north of LA.

The Scholastic's triduum was given by Fr. John Healy of Loyola U. The varsity basketball team participated with 13 other schools in the Southwest Catholic Tournament and lost to Mt. Carmel in the finals.

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

Conferences. Gov. Earl Warren invited Fr. President, (Charles Casassa), to attend the meetings

of the California Committee for Educational TV. The committee will meet in Sacramento in the near future to discuss problems involved in TV education.

Fr. Harold Ryan, of the English Department, attended the annual meeting of the Philological Assn. of the Pacific Coast, at Santa Barbara, in Nov. Fr. Ryan also attended the meeting of the Southern California chapter of the College English Assn., Dec. 6, in the Statler Hotel, LA.

Lectures. A turnaway crowd was on hand, Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, to hear Mortimer Adler in the Loyola Library. Dr. Adler spoke on the subject, "The Future of Democracy." A question and answer period followed.

Memorial. Immediately following the Memorial Mass for the deceased members of Loyola's Faculty and Alumni, Mrs. Gordon Walls, widow of 2nd Lt. Walls, '50, received the Distinguished Flying Cross posthumously awarded. The ceremony, conducted privately in the main reception room of the Faculty Building, was attended by members of the Faculty and representatives of the Student Body and Press. Lt. Walls joined the Air Force shortly after his graduation to become one of the first members of his race (Negro) to become an F-84 Jet-pilot.

Del Rey Players. Dr. Ted DeLay, of the Speech Department, directed members of the Drama Society in the second play of the winter season, "The Hasty Heart." Produced "in the round" in Huesman Hall recreation room from Dec. 5 through Dec. 9, the production was acclaimed one of the group's most successful efforts.

Education. Fr. Darrell Finnegan represented the University at Yosemite Park, at the California Council of Teacher Education, late in the Fall. This group, composed of teacher-training institutions, and organizations of allied interests, acts as an advisory group to the State Dept. of Education. Fr. Finnegan was appointed to the Nominating Council for the election of officers, and the Planning Commission for the new year.

Some statistics on the depart-

ment: 25 graduate students this semester, working for the M.A. in Education. Six of these combine this work with secondary teaching credential preparation. There are 82 students enrolled in the Education Department.

Guidance. During the past two months, approximately 3040 tests were administered, scored, and recorded. The task involved trips to fifteen boys' high schools in the archdiocese of LA, two schools in the diocese of Tucson, and three in the diocese of Monterey-Fresno, including the Junior Seminary in Fresno. Members of the Counselling Bureau return in the spring to conduct the follow-up counselling.

An average of two cases a week are "off campus" cases, sent here by the Catholic Welfare Bureau, through priests or those who recommend the Guidance Center.

SAN FRANCISCO

University. The Schola Cantorum under the auspices of the University, performed before an enthusiastic audience at the War Memorial Opera House. The Schola consisted of 60 voices, 18 brass instruments, and the Symphony Orchestra. There were seven soloists during the programme.

The Catholic Library Assn. held its annual Fall meeting in the Richard A. Gleeson Library. Members from the Northern California Unit were in attendance.

Professor Anthony Bouscaren, of the Political Science Department, spoke before the Commonwealth Club on the Lattimore case.

Professor Robert Kerner, Director of the Institute of Slavic Studies at University of California, addressed the members of the International Relations Club. The substance of his talk concerned his recently completed trip through countries with boundaries on the Iron Curtain.

The Maraschi Club (Italian Club) sponsored a drive for clothing for the needy of Italy. A generous group responded with over 500 pounds of clothing.

The USF Sodality sponsored their annual collection of food for the poor. Several boxes were filled by generous donors.

Hon. Preston Divine, alumnus and Superior Court Judge, addressed the St. Ives Club. (Law)

Church. A triduum in honor of St. Francis Xavier was preached in the Church, by Fr. Zacheus Maher. The occasion ended with a Solemn High Mass, at which the combined student bodies of the University and the High School participated. The event commemorated the fourth centenary of the Saint's death.

Two new stained glass windows have been installed in the Church. One represents St. Paul, and the other St. Simon.

The transferred feast of St. Ignatius was celebrated with a Solemn High Mass.

Fr. Robert McMahon gave a series of talks on Marriage, during the Advent Season.

High School. Mr. Ronald Armstrong's 100s basketball team won the Joseph Lee Recreational League championship.

A solemn reception of sixty new members into the St. John Berchman's Sanctuary Society took place on Dec. 8. Fr. Daniel Kelleher preached the sermon for the impressive ceremony.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Mr. James Felt, sang on Dec. 10, at the Catholic Professional Women's Club. They sang, too, at St. Ignatius Church on Christmas morning.

"Three Men on a Horse" was successfully produced by the Dramatic Society, and presented for three nights, beginning Dec. 10, at the Marine Memorial Theatre.

The St. Ignatius debaters won a nationally recognized plaque for their activities.

UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CLARA

Activities. On Dec. 5, the First Friday devotions included all night adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, by students of the four halls on the campus.

The Clay M. Greene Dramatic Society presented the popular "Billy Budd" in the University theatre on Dec. 10 and 11. The play was directed by Mr. Ronald Ranney of the Drama Department.

The Sodality observed the customary Day of Recollection, on Sunday, Dec. 14. Fr. Roger Mc-

Auliffe, Chaplain, conducted the Day.

Visitors. An investigating committee of the Western College Assn. visited the University for inspection of the academic departments, Dec. 11 and 12.

Seventy students, from 10 high schools in the Central Coast area, participated in a meeting of the National Forensic League, on the Campus, Dec. 13. Fr. John Hynes welcomed the delegates, and Fr. Raymond Copeland delivered the opening address. Mr. Richard Loftus was in charge.

Alumni. Mr. Patrick Concanon, '82, died in the O'Connor Sanitarium, Nov. 29. He was former mayor of Santa Clara, and had served on the village board for many terms.

On Dec. 2, Mr. Peter Giannini, '43, passed away suddenly at his home. At the time of his death he was mayor of Santa Clara.

RECENT DEATHS

The usual suffrages of the Society are to be offered for the repose of the soul of Fr. Joseph T. Morton who died at Sacred Heart Novitiate on Dec. 23 in the 76th year of his life, his 60th in the Society, and for Bro. Onesimus Gosselin, who died at Santa Clara on Dec. 27th in the 93rd year of his life, his 60th in the Society.

In the Assistency

Bro. John J. Beaton, on Dec. 23, at West Baden.

Fr. Terence J. Boyle, on Nov. 28, in New York.

Fr. Edward J. Moran, on Nov. 22, at Weston.

Fr. Steven A. Shea, on Dec. 21, in Boston.

Fr. Clarence E. Sloane, on Dec. 22, at Holy Cross College.

Your prayers are also requested for the repose of the soul of the father of Fr. Raymond Prendiville and the mothers of Frs. Joseph Howard and Andrew Maginnis.

Littl Dimiss. Accep. Daniel A. Gordeau and John L. Maddux, scholastici approb.

Province Procurator. At the Provincial Congregation held on Dec. 21 Fr. Alexis I. Mei was chosen as procurator from this province for the Congregation of Procurators to be held in Rome Sept. 27, 1953.